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INDUCTION OF DIFFERENTIATION OF  
STEM CELLS, AND CONTROL OF  
DIFFERENTIATION POTENCY OF STEM CELLS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications  
Containing Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated September 26, 2006,  
Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

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